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Applicant has previously submitted a Notice of Appeal, Appeal Brief on April 19, 2002 and a Reply Brief on November 5, 2002.

In the Examiner's Answer dated September 5, 2002, it is stated that the claims 1-4 do not exclude ethylene glycol mono-butyl ether, a component found in the only prior art reference, JP 63-069897. Applicant is now submitting this Request for Continued Examination to reopen the prosecution of the above-identified application to amend the claims to clearly exclude ethylene glycol mono-butyl ether. This amendment should place the claims 1-4 in condition for allowance.

The fee of \$740 for the Request for Continued Examination is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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Washington, D.C. 20231

**MARKED VERSION OF CLAIM 1**

1. A releasing agent composition for use in removing an aqueous polymer floor polish, which comprises as essential components

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represented by the formula  $C_4H_9O-(CH_2CH_2O)_n$  where n is an integer of 2 or 3,

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CLEAN VERSION OF CLAIM 1

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